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Gd. Sir

Philadelphia November 17th 1778

I receiv'd yours by post and am so unwell at present that it is Impossible I can give you my Answer at with respect to the Command of the Defence this Ten or Twelve days, As soon as I ~~am~~ have strength to Ride I shall call at Annapolis and then I shall give you my ~~Ansr~~ answer with respect to the Ship at any rate you shall here from me in that time. —

I am
your Hble Servt —
John Nicholson

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The Honorable

James Hindman Esqr

Annapolis Maryland

17th Novr 1778
Capt John Nicholson

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